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Applicant : Brent C. Abrahm, et al.  
Application No. : 09/866,544  
371 Date : May 25, 2001  
Title : Apparatus, Systems and Methods for  
Transacting and Managing Like-Kind Exchanges  
Grp./Div. : 3693  
Examiner : Patel, Jagdish  
Docket No. : PELK0002/MRK

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Commissioner:


Attached are the following:

1. Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate);
2. Petition for One-Month Extension of Time (in duplicate);
3. Check No. 2401 for One-Month Extension fee;
4. Drawing Transmittal Letter with sixty-four (64) Sheets of Replacement Drawings for FIGS. 1a-c, 2, 3, 4a-b, 5, 6a-b, 7a-b, 8a, 8b-1 - 8b-2, 8c-1 - 8c-2, 8d, 9a-b, 10a-b, 11, 12, 13a-b, 14-35, 36a-b, 37-46, 47a-c, and 48;
5. Amendment and Response to June 7, 2007 Office Action (33 pages; deleting Claims and adding new Claims, **resulting in no additional claim fees, see fee transmittal**); and
6. Return Postcard.

A Petition for an Extension of Time for one month and the associated fee are concurrently filed herewith. It is respectfully submitted that this Amendment and Response is timely filed within the one month extension period because it is filed before the expiration of October 9, 2007, the first business day (a Tuesday) following the one month extension date, October 7, 2007, a Sunday, and following Monday, October 8, 2007, a federal holiday. Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to

37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-identified application, requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this application to Deposit Account No. 501574 and to treat this authorization as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for this application requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

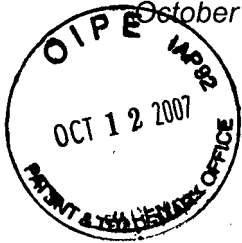
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**REPLACEMENT DRAWING TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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The Office Action, dated June 7, 2007, required formal drawings.

In response to the Office Action requirement for formal drawings, sixty-four (64) sheets of Replacement Drawings for FIGS. 1a through 48 are enclosed. Enclosed replacement drawings for FIGS. 1a through 48 are each labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the top margin in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(d).


In the formal drawings enclosed herewith, original FIG. 8c is depicted in Replacement Sheet FIGS. 8c-1 and 8c-2. Minor amendments to the Specification are submitted with the Amendment and Response to the Office Action, filed concurrently herewith; the minor amendments to the Specification conform the specification to reference the two FIGS. 8c-1 and 8c-2.

The Office Action designated a three-month time in which to reply, namely, by September 7, 2007. A Petition for an Extension of Time for one month (until October 7, 2007) and the associated fee are filed concurrently herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the Replacement Drawings filed and the Amendment and Response filed concurrently herewith, are timely filed within the one month extension period because they are filed before the expiration of October 9, 2007, the first business day (a

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